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Sent: Tue 7/21/2015 12:20:57 AM
Subject: RE: GAO Review of Class II Enforcement JC 361614
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Hello – just checking back in on this GAO audit of Class II wells. My colleague David Albright here in the Water Division of Region 9 received an email with a specific list of questions for Region 9 from GAO to respond to. David has set up a call to go over the questions with John Hocker of GAO on Friday 7/24. I am attaching Mr. Hocker's questions for Region 9 for your information. Thank you.

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Subject: RE: GAO Review of Class II Enforcement JC 361614

Claire,

Hello.

Yes, I was out of the office last Friday (06/19). I am glad that Mark H. (Thanks, Mark!) was able to get the documents you needed.

Please let me know if you have any further questions regarding this GAO inquiry.

Thanks,
Clarke

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From: Howard, MarkT
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Glad it helps.

Now I can go on vacation!

Mark

PS Clarke is out until Monday.

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Thank you so very much for this information.

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From: Howard, MarkT

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Claire,

I have attached a copy of the original notification letter, the question set that GAO gave us at the entrance conference, the list of EPA Region UIC enforcement contacts that was recently updated and provided back to GAO, plus some other questions GAO provided to OECA post exit conference with responses written in that may worth knowing about when GAO comes to visit or calls.

OECA is the lead office for this engagement with GAO. Region 6 is the lead region. Clarke Thurman (cc: ed) is the OECA attorney who provided much of the background information to GAO last fall.

Let me know if you need any more information.

Mark

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Hi Mark. I am hoping to get more information on this GAO review including the intake letter if there is one and confirmation who is the lead at EPA. Thank you.

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From: Albright, David
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To: TROMBADORE, CLAIRE
Cc: Montgomery, Michael
Subject: RE: GAO Review of Class II Enforcement

According to John the EPA contact is Mark Howard, but he is apparently in OCFO. On a UIC call yesterday, someone mentioned Clarke Thurman as an OECA contact. I don't have the initiation letter, so feel free to connect with OECA.

Also, when I spoke to John this morning, he indicated that they would like the Water and Enforcement folks to participate together in the phone meeting.

Thanks!

David

From: TROMBADORE, CLAIRE
Sent: Thursday, June 18, 2015 8:49 AM
To: Albright, David
Cc: Montgomery, Michael
Subject: Re: GAO Review of Class II Enforcement

Ok. We should get the GAO investigation initiation letter if there is one. Do you know who at OECA is leading? We will want to reach out to them and I can do that if you like. Thanks

On Jun 18, 2015, at 7:26 AM, Albright, David <Albright.David@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Claire,

I've put a call in to John to help clarify the focus of GAO's review. My understanding is that this is a national effort (most regions) and that OECA is taking the lead at HQs. We should probably discuss how to best respond to this request.

Thanks,

David

From: Hocker, John [<mailto:HockerJ@gao.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, June 16, 2015 11:55 AM
To: Albright, David
Subject: GAO Review of Class II Enforcement

Good Afternoon Mr. Albright,

I hope this email finds you well. As you may know, my colleagues and I at the Government Accountability Office (GAO) are reviewing EPA and state class II program enforcement as a follow-up to our previous report, [GAO-14-555](#). To ensure continuity, we're planning to speak to the same regions and states for this report, including Region 9. We would like to schedule a phone meeting with you during the week of July 22. We are asking for your assistance in identifying the appropriate staff to speak with us about the UIC program, and in particular, the Region's oversight of state class II programs. We will likely need two hours of your time and ask that you provide some potential meeting times that would work for you and your team. If you have any questions feel free to contact me at 202-512-2580 or hockerj@gao.gov or Micah McMillan at 303-572-7319 or mcmillanm@gao.gov. Thank you.

Regards,

John

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